

# QUARTERLY REPORT



CITY OF SUNNYVALE

SUMMER 2008

## OLD AND NEW; CHANGE AND REMEMBRANCE

Sunnyvale has been built on change. From agriculture to industry to high-tech, Sunnyvale has continuously morphed, accepting change and innovation, but never losing sight of what it has been.

Sunnyvale is morphing yet again as the Town Center redevelopment project has grown above the construction fences and now has features clearly visible from throughout downtown. Some of the most visible structures, other than towering cranes and the six historic redwood trees, have been the two new parking garages flanking

McKinley Avenue. But about the time you read this, that will change.

One lane of northbound Mathilda Avenue began a full-year closure in June, providing space for a crane and an off-loading area for trucks. Over the summer months structural steel for two office buildings will be delivered and the new buildings will begin to take shape just inside the construction fence on Mathilda Avenue.

Residents will be treated to a special inside-the-fence view of the project September 13 as the annual State of the City event is slated to be held atop one of the parking

garages inside the redevelopment project. Pending the completion of construction and PG&E's work on the garage, the rooftop event will not only feature the mayor's state of the City report and community awards, but an exciting look into what is in store for Sunnyvale's downtown.

### Everything Old Is New Again

A very special event will take place in September that will combine old and new as only Sunnyvale can.

The new Heritage Park Museum, a \$2.3 million near-replica of Martin Murphy, Jr.'s Bayview House, will be dedicated and opened to the public September 27. The original house, a state landmark, was destroyed in 1961. The new structure, which increases the museum's size from 380 square feet to some 8,500 square feet, features five interior rooms that recreate the Murphy house in period furnishings from 1849 – 1890. Family heirlooms, portraits, furniture and documents are just some of the featured pieces.

When the museum opens, it will be the only museum in the State of California to showcase the previously untold story of the first wagon train to successfully cross the Sierras. Two years before the ill-fated Donner party attempted the crossing, the Murphys blazed the trail for future emigrants to become prominent landowners who played vital roles in California history. Plans for the museum call for the building to be open, free of charge, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays, noon to 4 p.m. Additional hours will be added as the organization grows, as well as for special rotating exhibits.

The Heritage Museum is designed to instill a strong sense of pride in all Sunnyvale's residents by showcasing their heritage. In the 1880s, Chinese workers represented 48 percent of the labor force in Sunnyvale. In the 1890s, thousands of immigrants arrived from Portugal, the Azores and Japan to work in the orchards. One hundred years later, Sunnyvale welcomed many new immigrants from other parts of the world to create Silicon Valley's high technology. Sunnyvale has always been a diverse community driven by a pioneering spirit, and this museum will showcase it all.

The dedication and grand opening of the Heritage Park Museum, located on the Community Center campus at 550 E. Remington Ave., will be Saturday, September 27, noon to 4 p.m. For more information, call (408) 736-4713, or visit [www.heritageparkmuseum.org](http://www.heritageparkmuseum.org).

Photos: Sunnyvale Historical Society



LEFT: The original Martin Murphy house. RIGHT: The new Heritage Park Museum.

**THE 2008  
SUNNYVALE  
STATE OF THE CITY EVENT  
WILL BE HELD  
SATURDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 13**



## CITY OF SUNNYVALE Summer 2008

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## CITY BEGINS WEBCASTING COUNCIL MEETINGS

**T**he City of Sunnyvale is now using webcasting technology to make Council and Planning Commission meetings available for viewing through the Internet.

Currently, Council meetings and Planning Commission meetings are broadcast live via KSUN-15 available to Comcast cable TV subscribers in Sunnyvale. KSUN-15 rebroadcasts meetings at other times during the week with prior meetings available on video tape in the Sunnyvale library. Sunnyvale residents who are not cable TV subscribers have been requesting access to Council and Planning Commission meetings. By offering video on the Web, the City hopes not only to meet these requests,

but to increase availability by making current Council and Planning Commission meetings available and accessible anywhere and at any time over the internet.

While a meeting is in session in City Hall, it'll also be available live on the Internet. The meeting agenda will be shown along side the video to make following the meeting easy. After the meeting adjourns, additional webcasting information will be added to the meeting and the video will be released at a later time as an archive. The process of adding the webcasting information to the meeting archive takes two days. Once the archived meeting starts on the media player, the "Jump To" feature takes the viewer directly to items of interest. Specific

agenda items from up to three years worth of meeting archives will be searchable as more meetings are made available.

Since webcasting utilizes streaming media technology, the use of internet bandwidth with either DSL or broadband is highly recommended when accessing meeting webcasts, since using dial-up Internet access may result in pausing and skipping. Windows Media Player on Microsoft Windows or Macintosh operating system computers is needed to view the video streams.

Links will be posted on the Sunnyvale Web site. To access the City's webcasting, visit *Webcast.inSunnyvale.com*. ☀

## CITY REDUCES SOLAR PANEL PERMIT FEES

As energy costs continue to climb, more and more residents are looking for ways to save money. Photovoltaic panels are becoming an increasingly popular way to save energy costs.

Photovoltaic panels, or solar panels as they are sometimes called, collect sunlight and convert that energy to electricity that can help power your home, reducing your monthly utility bill. Sunnyvale's great climate means these panels can produce power year-round.

Sunnyvale City Council had adopted a policy of trying to make the City as environmentally "green" as possible, and has taken many steps toward reducing its own energy usage. The City will undertake a demonstration project of installing solar panels on the roof of Fire Station 2.

Council has already taken a step forward in helping Sunnyvale homeowners install their own photovoltaic panels, reducing the permitting fees for residential installations by more than 40 percent. A typical residential permit has dropped from more than \$500 to \$284, a \$218 savings.

The installation of photovoltaic panels on a residence does require permits and inspections. Specific permitting information is available from the City's One-Stop Permit Center in City Hall, 456 W. Olive Ave., or by calling One-Stop at (408) 730-7444, TDD (408) 730-7501.

## BAYLANDS FOURTH OF JULY EVENT

**WHO:** Families and residents of Sunnyvale!

**WHAT:** Community Picnic at Baylands Park

**WHEN:** July 4, noon – 2 p.m.

**WHERE:** Baylands Park, 999 Caribbean Drive

This Fourth of July, the City of Sunnyvale invites you to bring a picnic blanket, food, family, friends and games for a do-it-yourself old-fashioned picnic at Baylands Park. On this day, all picnic sites at Baylands Park will be free and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Parking is free for Sunnyvale residents with valid ID, a savings of \$5.

The park opens at 8 a.m. and closes 1 ½ hours after sunset. All group picnic sites have extra-large barbecue grills, electricity and water, layout tables, shade structures, and can and bottle recycling containers. Play structures and restrooms are nearby.

Between noon and 2 p.m. Rock Lerum, a veteran performer at the Hands On the Arts Festival, will be roving the picnic areas as a stilt walker and juggler. The Sunnyvale Parks and Recreation Fun on the Run vehicle will also be onsite between noon – 2 p.m. to provide free games and activities for elementary school-aged children. To protect wildlife, pets are not allowed in the park. For more information call (408) 730-7350, TDD (408) 730-7501.

## GLOBAL SUNNYVALE, A CELEBRATION OF CULTURES

**T**he City of Sunnyvale celebrated its diversity June 21 at Plaza del Sol with *Global Sunnyvale, A Celebration of Cultures*. This special event highlighted and educated the public on the cultures represented in Sunnyvale's community.

The festival included a variety of music, arts and

entertainment which demonstrated native cultural traditions and history. A special effort was made to include artists and entertainers from within Sunnyvale.

Information and demonstrations educated attendees on cultural practices and philosophies, as well as the services provided by these local cultural organizations. ☀





# New Wireless Telephone Laws

Two new laws dealing with the use of wireless telephones while driving go into effect July 1. Below is a list of frequently asked questions concerning these new laws.

**Q: When do the new wireless telephone laws take effect?**

A: The new laws take effect July 1, 2008

**Q: What is the difference between the two laws?**

A: The first prohibits all drivers from using a handheld wireless telephone while operating a motor vehicle. Motorists 18 and older may use a hands-free device. Drivers under the age of 18 may not use a wireless telephone or hands-free device while operating a motor vehicle.

**Q: What if I need to use my telephone during an emergency, and I do not have a hands- free device?**

A: The law allows a driver to use a wireless telephone to make emergency calls to a law enforcement agency, a medical provider, the fire department, or other emergency services agency.

**Q: What are the fines if I'm convicted?**

A: The base fine for the first offense is \$20 and \$50 for subsequent convictions. According to the Uniform Bail and Penalty Schedule, with the addition of penalty assessments, a first offense is \$76 and a second offense is \$190.

**Q: Will I receive a point on my drivers license if I'm convicted for a violation of the wireless telephone law?**

A: No. The violation is a reportable offense: however, DMV will not assign a violation point.

**Q: Will the conviction appear on my driving record?**

A: Yes, but the violation point will not be added.

**Q: Will there be a grace period when motorists will only get a warning?**

A: No. The law comes into effect July 1, 2008. Whether a citation is issued is always at the discretion of the officer based upon his or her determination of the most appropriate remedy for the situation.

**Q: Are passengers affected by this law?**

A: No. This law only applies to the person driving a motor vehicle.

**Q: Do these laws apply to out-of-state drivers whose home states do not have such laws?**

A: Yes

**Q: Can I be pulled over by a law enforcement officer for using my handheld wireless telephone?**

A: Yes. A law enforcement officer can pull you over just for this infraction.

**Q: What if my phone has a push-to-talk feature, can I use that?**

A: No. The law does provide an exception for those operating a commercial motor truck or

truck tractor (excluding pickups), implements of husbandry, farm vehicle or tow truck, to use a two-way radio operated by a "push-to-talk" feature.

**Q: What other exceptions are there?**

A: Operators of an authorized emergency vehicle during the course of employment are exempt as are those motorists operating a vehicle on private property

## Drivers 18 and Older

Drivers 18 and over will be allowed to use a hands-free device to talk on their wireless telephone while driving. The following FAQs apply to those motorists 18 and over.

**Q: Does the new "hands-free" law prohibit you from dialing a wireless telephone while driving or just talking on it?**

A: The new law does not prohibit dialing, but drivers are strongly urged not to dial while driving.

**Q: Will it be legal to use a Blue Tooth or other earpiece?**

A: Yes, however you cannot have both ears covered.

**Q: Does the new hands-free law allow you to use the speaker phone function of your wireless telephone while driving?**

A: Yes.

**Q: Does the new "hands-free" law allow drivers 18 and over to text page while driving?**

A: The law does not specifically prohibit that, but an officer can pull over and issue a citation to a driver of any age if, in the officer's opinion, the driver was distracted and not operating the vehicle safely. Text paging while driving is unsafe and is strongly discouraged.

## Drivers Under 18

**Q: Am I allowed to use my wireless telephone hands free?**

A: No. Drivers under the age of 18 may not use a wireless telephone, pager, laptop or any other electronic communication or mobile services device to speak or text while driving in any manner, even hands-free, except in emergency situations to call police, fire or medical authorities.

**Q: Why is the law stricter for provisional drivers?**

A: Statistics show that teen drivers are more likely than older drivers to be involved in crashes because they lack driving experience and tend to take greater risks. Teen drivers are vulnerable to driving distractions such as talking with passengers, eating or drinking, and talking or texting on wireless phones, which increase the chance of getting involved in serious vehicle crashes.

**Q: Can my parents give me permission to allow me to use my wireless telephone while driving?**

A: No. The only exception is an emergency situation that requires you to call a law enforcement agency, a health care provider, the fire department or other emergency agency entity.

**Q: Does the law apply to me if I'm an emancipated minor?**

A: Yes. The restriction applies to all licensed drivers who are under the age of 18.

**Q: If I have my parent(s) or someone age 25 years or older in the car with me, may I use my wireless telephone while driving?**

A: No. You may only use your wireless telephone in an emergency situation.

**Q: Will the restriction appear on my provisional license?**

A: No

**Q: May I use the hands-free feature while driving if my car has the feature built in?**

A: No. The law prohibits anyone under the age of 18 from using any type of wireless device while driving, except in an emergency situation.

**Q: Can a law enforcement officer stop me for using my hands-free device while driving?**

A: No. For drivers under the age of 18, this is considered a secondary violation meaning that a law enforcement officer may cite you for using a hands-free wireless phone if you were pulled over for another violation. However, the prohibition against using a handheld wireless telephone while driving is a primary violation for which a law enforcement officer can pull you over. ☹

## SUNNYVALE UNVEILS NEW GARBAGE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION SYSTEM

### ChoiceCollect Includes On-call Curbside Collection

Introducing ChoiceCollect, Sunnyvale's new residential garbage and recycling collection system. With ChoiceCollect, it will be easier than ever for Sunnyvale residents to protect the environment and keep their garbage collection and recycling rates low.

The new system is being phased in. The first phase will be on-call collection for bulky household items, beginning in July. This will provide a flexible call-in option for residents to have extra garbage and bulky goods collected. Instead of storing excess unwanted items during the year, residents will be able to call in twice a year and order curbside pickup of extra garbage and bulky items.

Residents living in single-family homes, duplexes, triplexes and mobile homes may order curbside collection twice a year for non-hazardous household goods as well as bulky items such as appliances and furniture. In addition, electronic material such as computers, televisions and stereo equipment may be placed at curbside as well by calling Utility Customer Service at (408) 730-7400, TDD (408) 730-7501, to schedule a pick up.

These on-call pickups replace the curbside collections formerly held Citywide during spring and fall, and provide residents with the flexibility to get rid of bulky goods when the customers chooses. For each collection, residents may set out two cubic yards of extra trash – equivalent to a space six feet long, three feet high and 3 feet wide – plus two bulky items, such as appliances or furniture.

Other ChoiceCollect program features will be implemented in single-family residential households this fall, including three-tiered, cart size-based pricing, extra dumping days at the SMaRT Station, and prepayment for extra garbage can collection.

Watch for more information on the ChoiceCollect program this fall in the mail and on the Web at [ChoiceCollect.inSunnyvale.com](http://ChoiceCollect.inSunnyvale.com).



## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS SERVICES

**S**ince businesses are a significant contributor to the community's high quality of life, the City of Sunnyvale's Economic Development Division is committed to retaining current businesses, helping them be successful and planning for future economic vitality. If you own a Sunnyvale business, or are interested in starting a business in Sunnyvale, we can help.

The Economic Development Division has several resources you can use. One example of our resources is the Making Business Easy in the City of Sunnyvale guide, which is available on our Web site under the Business Tools section.

This guide provides you with information on City structure and services, demographic information, as well as information on how to do business with the City.

The Economic Development staff serves as a liaison between Sunnyvale businesses and City departments. We can help you gather appropriate information to help you find a location and to make a decision on final site selection. If you are interested in starting a business or expanding your current Sunnyvale-based business, contact Economic Development staff to help you.

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## PROVEN PEOPLE: A PROVEN RESOURCE FOR THE COMMUNITY

Proven People is a unique service that provides employers with a connection to experienced, job-seeking individuals within Santa Clara County. Co-administered by NOVA and the City of Sunnyvale, Proven People is a job-matching service for workers aged 50 and older. Proven People's mission, to provide employers with a pool of skilled, experienced workers at no cost to either the employer or candidate, is one that they have successfully accomplished for more than 25 years.

If you are an employer in search of qualified workers, you will be provided with contact information for appropriately skilled older workers. Staff will provide an initial level of screening to match your needs and create a list of referrals for your final hiring determination. Work assignments can be temporary or permanent, and in a part-time or full-time capacity.

While commercial businesses can benefit from the expertise and dependability of these older workers, Santa Clara County residents also benefit from the program's staffing services. Proven People has helped hundreds of local residents find the assistance they need with such household chores as electrical or plumbing maintenance, gardening, housecleaning, senior care, or similar jobs. Wages are reasonable and the returns can be beneficial to all.

Older workers can offer a wide variety of training and experience to employers. Many of our applicants have college degrees or possess specific skill sets. Our candidates offer flexible availability as well - many are retired and participate to supplement their income and remain active, while others may have been affected by a recent layoff and are currently seeking either long or short-term assignments.

Proven People is located at the Sunnyvale Senior Center, 550 E. Remington Drive, and is open Monday through Thursday, from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. To list a job opening or work assignment, or to apply to the program, please call Proven People staff at (408) 730-7368 or you can fax your job listings to (408) 739-3729.



## SUNNYVALE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZES LAYOFF OF 18 NOVA STAFF

**A**t its April 1 meeting, Sunnyvale City Council approved a reduced budget for its Department of Employment Development, also known as NOVA. The budget modification, necessary due to continuing budgetary constraints, resulted in the reduction of 18 currently filled positions, effective June 2.

NOVA is funded entirely through federal, state and foundation grants, with the primary resources coming from the Workforce Investment Act (WIA). The City of Sunnyvale administers NOVA on behalf of a consortium of seven northern Santa Clara County cities: Cupertino, Los Altos, Milpitas, Mountain View, Palo Alto, Santa Clara and Sunnyvale. On December 26, 2007, President Bush signed PL 110-161, concurring with Congress to rescind \$300 million from WIA funding for this year and last year. These funds had, by and large, already been obligated to the state and local areas, and NOVA had planned for almost

100 percent of its funds to be spent this fiscal year. In mid-February, NOVA began temporary Friday closures of all of its job-seeker and business services in an effort to achieve savings to cover the estimated rescission cost of \$300,000.

Due to arcane funding formulas, there is an overall decreasing amount of federal funding available

to the State of California. This means there's less to allocate among California's 49 local workforce investment areas, including NOVA, and in fact the agency's WIA funding has declined by 45 percent over the past three years. NOVA and many other workforce areas were already stretched thin even before the rescissions were announced.

According to NOVA director Mike Curran, the continued trend in declining funding from the federal government to the state, coupled with the anticipated impact of a state budget deficit, means that NOVA could no longer afford to sustain the organization at its previous staffing levels. NOVA reopened on Fridays in May, but the closures weren't enough to close the widening budget gap.

"With this reduction in staffing resources, combined with the increased demand for services, NOVA's next challenge will be to redesign and reengineer our programs to continue to be relevant to the needs of our job seekers and businesses," Curran said.

The 18 NOVA staff members, who are all permanent City of Sunnyvale employees, were given 90 days notice of the impending layoffs, and are being provided with approximately two months of paid healthcare coverage following their separation. Some of the affected employees have been able to move into positions with other City departments. ☎

**For All City Services,  
TDD Access (408) 730-7501**



# NEW SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS

Special events, such as parades, fairs, carnivals, fun runs, bicycle centuries, concerts, dances and festivals, are an important part of a vibrant community. Special events provide opportunities to celebrate the City's diversity, heritage and uniqueness and strengthen a sense of community and neighborhood identity.

Planning a community event

in Sunnyvale? Make the event successful by obtaining the necessary permits through the City's simplified process:

Complete the community event application form and pay any application fees 60 days prior to the proposed event date.

Once the City receives your application, one or more City representatives will contact you to let you know of any permits, approvals

or additional fees that may apply.

After obtaining the necessary permits and approvals, and paying any required fees, a Special Event Permit will be issued by the City of Sunnyvale authorizing your event.

For more information about special event permits and community event applications, call (408) 730-7599, TDD (408) 730-7501 or e-mail [events@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:events@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us) . ☎

# SUPPORT NETWORK FOR BATTERED WOMEN

Every year, more than three million children witness or are victims of domestic violence. Studies show that men who have witnessed or suffered domestic abuse as children are more likely to batter future partners. The Support Network for Battered Women offers programs to break this vicious cycle. The Support Network's programs include individual and group counseling for children of shelter residents and others living in the community. The Children's Program also teaches children conflict resolution skills and utilizes play therapy to address and resolve relevant issues.

Each quarter, Sunnyvale public

safety officers pay a special visit to the Support Network's Children's Program. In the spring they had a pizza night and future plans include a summer ice cream social, a fall hotdog BBQ and a winter holiday party.

The is a wonderful opportunity for the children to interact with public safety officers in a safe and positive environment. The visit includes a "meet the officer" presentation along with a chance to check out a fire truck. After the presentation, each child receives his or her own toy fire helmet, stickers and a fire safety coloring book. Local sponsors include Nicolino's Restaurant, State Farm Insurance and Sports Basement. ☎

For more information about the Support Network for Battered Women, call their offices at (408) 541-6100 or visit [www.snbw.org](http://www.snbw.org). To get help, call their 24-hour help line at (800) 572-2782 or visit [www.snbw.org/help.htm](http://www.snbw.org/help.htm).

# ONIZUKA AFS REUSE PLANNING UPDATE

Over the next few months Sunnyvale City Council will review options and select a final reuse plan for Onizuka Air Force Station. Council was named the Local Redevelopment Authority (LRA) by the Department of Defense (DOD) in 2006; its Citizens Advisory Committee is scheduled to recommend its preferred land use at their meeting scheduled for July 16. Detailed analysis of the three commercial reuse options identified by the LRA – hotel conference center, auto mall or office facilities – in a draft report on the City's Onizuka Web site at *Onizuka.inSunnyvale.com*. Additionally, the Department of Veterans Affairs and two homeless services agencies have also filed notices of interest in portions of the property.

To accommodate the scheduled reuse plan review and selection schedule, the City has requested an extension to December 2008 to submit the final plan to DOD. The land use plan, recommended real property disposition strategy, and any legally binding agreements with stakeholders or homeless agencies, are all part of the final redevelopment application, which must by will be submitted to the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development for approval, and to DOD for a record of decision and disposition strategy.

To find out more about the reuse planning for Onizuka, including dates and times of upcoming meetings, visit the City's Onizuka Web pages at *Onizuka.inSunnyvale.com*, or e-mail Robert Switzer, the City's Onizuka AFS project manager, at [rswitzer@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:rswitzer@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us). ☎

# HEALTH & SAFETY FAIR

The 2008 Health & Safety Fair was, by all measures, another rousing success. While raw numbers can't capture the excitement of watching the BMX stunt team, or show the lives that were saved by people who gave blood, here's a glimpse at just how successful this year's event was.

## Health & Safety Fair By The Numbers

- 20,000** Pounds of paper shredded
- 1,043** Participants
- 258** Volunteer hours donated by 65 volunteers
- 114** Glucose/cholesterol screenings performed by El Camino Hospital
- 114** Blood pressure checks performed by El Camino Hospital
- 106** Anemia screenings performed by Mayview Clinic
- 65** Exhibitors
- 57** Youths participated in the annual soccer tournament
- 50** Dental screenings performed by Santa Clara Dental Society
- 50** Bike helmets distributed by the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
- 45** Bikes inspected and repaired by Calabazas Cyclery
- 6** Blood donors (Blood Center of the Pacific)

# CALL FOR BOARD AND COMMISSION APPLICATIONS

The City of Sunnyvale is looking for volunteers to serve on various advisory boards and commissions. Board and commission members are appointed by the City Council. Special requirements or qualifications such as residency, voter registration and professional experience may be required.

Recruitment is ongoing for openings on the following boards and commissions:

- Arts Commission**
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission\***
- Board of Building Code Appeals\***
- Board of Library Trustees**
- Child Care Advisory Board\***
- Heritage Preservation Commission**
- Housing and Human Services Commission**
- Parks and Recreation Commission**
- Personnel Board\***
- Planning Commission**

*\*Special Requirements/Qualifications required.*

For more information and to download an application, please visit the Web site at: *BoardsAndCommissions.inSunnyvale.com*. To request an application by mail or for more information, contact the Office of the City Clerk at (408) 730-7595, TDD (408) 730-7501 or e-mail [jclark@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:jclark@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us).

# SUNNYVALE PUBLIC LIBRARY BRANCH LIBRARY STUDY

In late May, the City of Sunnyvale hosted a community forum on the issue of a potential branch library. The roughly 40 community members in attendance held a lively discussion about library services in general and the pros and cons of a branch library. The preliminary findings

of the study will be presented to the City Council at a study session September 30, followed by presentation of the final study at the November 25 City Council meeting. Both meetings will be open to the public. Between now and the scheduled meetings, Library staff will continue to gather information for the study.

Community members who were unable to attend the community forum – or any of the other meetings held throughout Sunnyvale – can still provide input on this topic by e-mailing [futurelib@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:futurelib@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us) or calling (408) 730-7300, TDD (408) 730-7501. ☎

# IMAGES OF SUNNYVALE’S PAST NOW ACCESSIBLE ONLINE

Photo: City of Sunnyvale



Hundreds of historical Sunnyvale images can now be viewed online by visiting [HistoricImages.inSunnyvale.com](http://HistoricImages.inSunnyvale.com). The photographs cover a wide variety of subjects, such as:

- Aerial views of Sunnyvale as it developed,
- Moffett Field
- Joshua Hendy Iron Works
- Fruit canneries
- Orchards
- Murphy Avenue
- Railroad depots
- Political figures

- The 1959 – 1960 construction of the City Council Chambers and Library building
- Grand opening of the Sunnyvale Town Center Mall
- Early Sunnyvale churches, banks and schools
- And more

The database of images has been created through a partnership between the Sunnyvale Public Library and the Sunnyvale Historical Society. Contributions of images to the database are welcomed. Contact Project Coordinator Steve Sloan by calling (408) 730-2768 or e-mail [ssloan@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:ssloan@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us) for more information. ☎

# LET’S TALK ABOUT IT: JEWISH LITERATURE YOUR HEART’S DESIRE @ SUNNYVALE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Starting in July, 2008, Sunnyvale Public Library is presenting Let’s Talk About It: Jewish Literature, a reading and discussion series made possible

through a grant from Nextbook and the American Library Association (ALA). The theme chosen for five separate book discussions is Your Heart’s Desire: Sex and Love in Jewish Literature. All the programs will be presented on Wednesdays from 7 p.m. – 8 p.m. in the Sunnyvale Public Library program room at 775 W. Olive Ave. Victoria Harrison, PhD, Jewish Studies Coordinator and Lecturer in the History Department at San Jose State University will be the scholar and discussion leader for the programs, along with some esteemed guests. This promises to be a very exciting series. Millions of people have gathered at libraries across the country to participate in Let’s Talk About It discussions on several themes since its inception in 1982. Santa Clara County Library (Los Altos Library), and San Jose Public Library (King Library and West Valley Branch) have hosted three different series of books in the LTAI Jewish Literature program within the last three years. Please join us for discussion of books in the Your Heart’s Desire series at Sunnyvale Public Library. Everyone is invited. Light refreshments will be served.

The discussion dates, books and special guest lecturers are:

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July 30  
*Portnoy’s Complaint* by Phillip Roth (David Mesher, Ph.D)

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August 13  
*The Little Disturbances of Man* by Grace Paley (Rabbi Melanie Aron)

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September 10  
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## WIRELESS PRINTING AVAILABLE AT THE LIBRARY

Do you use your laptop in the Library? Have you ever wanted to print out a document or an e-mail or something from a Web page? Has your printer at home ever broken down just when you needed to print something? Or, have you ever wanted to print a patent from PubWEST on the Patent PC? Now you can. The Sunnyvale Public Library has added wireless printing capability. There are no drivers to install or software to load. Visitors can easily send print jobs from anywhere inside or outside the library and retrieve them from the Library’s pay-for-print workstation in the copy room. Print jobs are held for two hours. It’s simple. Just use your browser to go to [www.printspots.com/library-sunnyvale](http://www.printspots.com/library-sunnyvale). You may either click on *Browse* to select a document from your laptop or copy and paste the URL (Web address) of a Web-based document. Enter a User ID to insure your privacy and identify your print job, click on *Next* and then on *Print*. A copy/print card must be purchased for \$1 and prints cost 15 cents per page. Visitors who frequently use their laptops at the Library and want to print often also have the option of installing software on the laptop and making the Library printer their default printer. More detailed printing instructions are available at the Adult and Children’s Information Desks.



# LIBRARY EVENTS CALENDAR

## KIDS’ PROGRAMS

### Baby Lapsit

Tuesday, June 3, 17; July 1, 15, 29;  
August 12, 11 a.m.

For babies under 12 months.

### Stories for 1’s

Tuesday, June 10, 24; July 8, 22;  
August 5, 11 a.m.

For 1 year olds.

### Time for Tales

Monday, July 14, 28; August 11, 11 a.m.

For ages 3 – 5.

### Toddler Story Time

Wednesday, June 11, 25; July  
9, 23; August 6, 11 a.m.

For ages 2 – 3½.

There will be a full program of story times starting in September. Please check the Library Web site for details.

## KIDS’ SPECIAL PROGRAMS

### Catch the Reading Bug: Summer Reading for Kids

Sign up for the 2008 Summer Reading Program at the Children's Information Desk between Saturday, June 14 and Sunday, July 27. Catch the Reading Bug is for children age 3 through grade 5. Read 10 or more books and receive a paperback book. Children not yet reading may count books that are read to them. Select your free book prize at the library between Monday, July 28 and Sunday, August 31. Limit one free book per child.

### Caterpillar Celebration

Thursday, July 3, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Hear caterpillar stories and make a caterpillar of your own to take home.

### Design a Bug

Wednesday, July 9, 2 p.m.

Use your imagination to craft a bug out of recycled materials. For kids in grades 3 – 6.

### Bug Box

Thursday, July 10, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Make a collection box to save your favorite bugs.

### Astronomer Extraordinaire: Andrew Fraknoi

Saturday, July 12, 2 p.m.

Learn about the wonderful world of space with popular scientist Andrew Fraknoi.

### Bug stories

Thursday, July 17, 11 a.m.

Help the librarian tell stories about bugs, using puppets, and props. For ages 5 and up.

### Ventriloquist Steve Chaney

Thursday, July 17, 7 p.m.

Steve Chaney and his friendly puppet Cornelius Crowe will wow the crowd with hilarious comedy and spectacular ventriloquism.

### Spider Spins

Thursday, July 24, 11 a.m.

Join us for spider stories and make a take-home craft.

### Carnival of Chaos

Thursday, July 24, 2 p.m.

A blend of vaudeville, music, cabaret and the circus arts.

### Fingerknitting

Wednesday, July 30, 2 p.m.

Learn to create scarves and other things with just your fingers and some yarn. For kids entering 3rd grade and older.

### Handy Hands, Happy Feet

Thursday, July 31, 11 a.m.

Learn hand signs, tricks and fun foot facts. Stories and a craft to take home. For ages 5 and up.

### Patricia Shih, Singer/Songwriter

Thursday, July 31, 7 p.m.

A fun-filled concert with audience participation.

### Puppet Art Theater presents Space Bug Adventure

Thursday, August 7, 7 p.m.

High-energy program combines wit, humor, and audience participation.

### Stuffed Animal Story Time

Thursday, August 14, 11 a.m.

Bring your favorite stuffed animal to a special story time about real and pretend animals.

### WildLIFE Associates presents Creepy Critters

Thursday, August 14, 2 p.m.

Explore the gentler side of the most misunderstood squiggly and squirmy animals of the wild kingdom. For ages 5 and up.

## TEEN PROGRAMS

### Chocolate Extravaganza

Wednesday, August 13, 3 p.m.

More chocolate than you can eat. Chocolate poetry, chocolate games, chocolate prizes, chocolate, chocolate, chocolate. Write a poem to chocolate and bring it to win a prize.

### Film Discussion Group

First Tuesday of the Month, 7 p.m.

Teens and interested adults are welcome to join us for refreshments and to discuss this month's film. July 1: Drama, Movie: Separate Tables; August 5: Historical, Movie: Inherit the Wind; September 2: Book and Movie, Movie: Keys of the Kingdom (Novel by A.J. Cronin)

### Scrapbooking with Linda Levine

Tuesday, July 22, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Teens and adults are invited to join us to learn about scrapbooking in this exciting hands-on workshop. Have your favorite adult sign up at the Reference Desk and attend the program together. Registration is required. Sign-ups start Tuesday, July 1.

### Summer Reading for Teens

Sign up for the Teen Summer Reading program, Metamorphosis, between Saturday, June 14 and Sunday, July 27. Read 10 or more books and receive a paperback book. Select your free book prize at the Library between Monday, July 28 and Sunday, August 31. Limit one free book per person.

### Yarn Days

Monday, July 7 and 21; August  
4 and 18, 3 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Learn to knit or crochet. Teens and interested adults are welcome to bring their yarn projects to the Library Program Room and have fun while working on them. If you want to learn how, bring some yarn. We'll supply the knitting needles or crochet hooks and teach you how.

## ADULT CLASSES

Adult classes in the Library are a great way to get a free introduction to the Library and its resources, including how to use computers and the Internet, fast becoming one of life's necessities. Each class is one session, and meets in the Library Program Room unless otherwise noted.

### Basic Business Research

Thursday, July 17, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Learn how to find information on starting a small business, writing a business plan, finding company performance data, and performing competitive analysis. We will also cover resources for protecting and researching the intellectual property of a business.

### Blogs & Blogging

Tuesday, September 30, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Come hear practical ideas for launching your Web presence, learn about free tools to create a blog in minutes and how new technologies can help you reach the world with your message.

### Book Networking

Tuesday, August 5, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Learn how you can use LibraryThing, Shelfari, Gurulib or other similar sites to promote the books you like, pan the books you didn't like, get reviews from real people, connect with others who share your taste in books, communicate with your book group online and catalog your books. The class includes brief overviews of some of the more popular sites and what they can do for you. No registration necessary.

### Extreme Googling

Wednesday, September 10, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Learn how to get the most out of Google and improve searching efficiency.

### Genealogy Databases

Thursday, August 21, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Learn about the Library's genealogy databases, Ancestry Library Edition and HeritageQuest online.

### I Have an Idea, Now What?

Tuesday, August 19, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.

How do you start to turn your great idea into reality? Find out about different kinds of intellectual property rights. How much does it cost and how long does it take to get a patent and trademark? Discover the free resources for researching your invention. Learn about steps you can take now.

### Searching the Internet

Tuesday, July 15, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, September 16, 3 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Find the information you want in minutes. Learn effective search techniques, discuss search engines and indexes and discover great places to start your search.

## ADULT SPECIAL PROGRAMS

### An Evening with Opera San Jose

Monday, July 21, 7 p.m.

Opera San Jose Artists will perform selections from the upcoming 2007-2008 season which includes Eugene Onegin, The Elixir of Love, Cosi fan tutte and Carmen.

### Fall Planting

Wednesday, September 17, 7 p.m.

The UC Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners' can help you plan that fall garden that will take you through to the spring. Topics will include fall crops, over-wintering, and as always, the most ecology friendly techniques.

### Let's Talk About It: Jewish Literature

This is a reading and discussion series made possible through a grant from Nextbook and the American Library Association. The series, which includes five separate book discussions, starts in July and continues through November and the theme will be "Your Heart's Desire: Sex and Love in Jewish Literature." Victoria Harrison, Ph.D, Jewish Studies Coordinator and Lecturer in the History Department at San Jose State University will be the scholar and discussion coordinator. Guest lecturers will lead discussions of different books in the series. Discussion dates, books and special guest lecturers include:

#### Portnoy's Complaint by Phillip Roth (David Mesher, Ph.D)

Wednesday, July 30, 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

#### The Little Disturbances of Man by Grace Paley (Rabbi Melanie Aron)

Wednesday, August 13, 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

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### Reach New Customers with Internet Marketing

Presented by Saravanan Veerappan

Tuesday, September 9, 7 p.m.

Learn how to create effective, low cost Internet advertising campaigns. Discover the various channels of online advertising – pay per click, banner ads, interactive advertising, email marketing, search engine optimization, and marketing through blogs and social networks. Learn how to create a pay per click account and how to measure the effectiveness of individual campaigns.

### Stress, Breath & You

Saturday, August 2, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

An interactive talk focusing on breathing techniques that release stress and heighten mental clarity and awareness. Experience the inner peace and tranquility through a guided meditation. Take home some very simple but powerful breathing techniques along with you. Presented by the Art of Living, a non-profit, non-governmental organization (NGO) that works in special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nation, participating in a variety of committees and activities relating to health and confliction resolution. The Foundation is active in more than 140 countries across the world and offer unique stress elimination programs.

### Summer Reading for Adults

Sunday, June 1 – Sunday, August 31

The Library invites you to join our annual Adult Summer Reading Program. This year our theme will be "Book a Great Summer" and the program will take place from Sunday, June 1 to Sunday, August 31. To

participate, you must be 16 years or older (younger readers should sign up for the Teen or Children's programs). You must have a current Sunnyvale Public Library card and must have at least one book read at the time you sign up. Sign-ups begin Sunday, June 1, and will end on Friday, August 1. Books can be fiction or nonfiction and in any language. Unabridged recorded books also qualify. The books you read are recorded on a log that you will receive when you sign up. After the first eight books are read, you will receive a free paperback book as your prize. Please stop at the Adult Reference Desk to sign up and receive your log. The last day to record titles is Sunday, August 31. Join us at the Library and "Book a Great Summer".

## LITERATURE PROGRAMS

### Monthly Book Group

Thursday, July 17; August 21;  
September 18, 7 p.m.

The third Thursday of every month, enjoy the fellowship of readers as you share impressions of books selected by the group, discovering new viewpoints and deepening your reading experience. All are welcome.

### Read-Along Shakespeare

Monday, July 7; August 4; September 8, 7 p.m.

Gather with other fans of Shakespeare to read his works and gain new appreciation of these timeless masterpieces. All are welcome.

# SPOTLIGHT ON: COOKBOOKS AVAILABLE AT THE LIBRARY

With all the emphasis on good nutrition in recent years, there has been a renewed interest in home cooking. The Sunnyvale Public Library has more than 3,000 cookbooks, videos and DVDs in its collection, from the classics of Julia Child and James Beard to today's popular television chefs, Rachael Ray and Paula Deen.



Whatever you can think of to cook, the Library probably has a cookbook about it. There are cookbooks from almost every country of the world and in several different languages. Look for *660 Curries: the Gateway to Indian Cooking* by Raghaven Iyer or *Beyond the Great Wall: Recipes and Travels in the other China* by Jeffrey Alford, two new additions to our collection. If you need something quick and easy (and let's face it, who doesn't), try *Robin to the Rescue: Quick and Simple Recipes for Delicious Home Cooking* by Robin Miller. Or, view one of our DVDs such as *Betty Crocker's Recipes from the Quick and Easy Cookbook* and *4 Ingredient Dinners*. For those who have special needs there are cookbooks on gluten-free cooking, low-sodium cooking, low-fat cooking, cooking for diabetics and recipes for a healthy heart. A new favorite is *Women Heart's All Heart Family Cookbook* by Kathy Kastan. There are cookbooks that focus on a single topic such as *Tofu 1-2-3* by Maribeth Abrams or *Sensational*

*Salads* by Barbara Scott-Goodman and *Chocolate Epiphany: Exceptional Cookies, Cakes and Confections for Everyone* by Francois Payard. We have cookbooks for children, the college-bound, cooking for one or two or for crowds. There is even one for picky eaters called *Deceptively Delicious* by Jessica Seinfeld. And if that isn't enough, we have cookbooks based on popular television cooking shows. Rachael Ray is still a favorite, and the Library owns many copies of her books. Bobby Flay's *Grill It* will soon be on our shelves as will Jamie and Bobby Deen's *Y'All Come Eat*. Finally, what Silicon Valley library would be complete without, *Food 2.0: Secrets from the Chef who fed Google*, by Charlie Ayers. Most cookbooks can be found under the Dewey number 641.5 in either the new book section or the regular library stacks. You can also look for them under author, title, or the subject, "cookery," using our online catalog at [www.sunnyvalelibrary.org](http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org). Happy cooking. ☀

# GRAFFITI: A GROWING CONCERN

Graffiti is a growing concern in almost every community in the country and is showing signs of becoming a problem in Sunnyvale on both private and public property. Graffiti can be associated with gang activity or as an indication of neglect in the community. Graffiti is also caused by "taggers" who develop a personalized symbol and try to place it on as many places as possible.

Graffiti is not confined to public property. Private property, including industrial, commercial, and residential, can be vandalized with graffiti costing the property owner and the City time and money to remove it.

Graffiti affects property values, quality of life, and damages the City's reputation for livability. When graffiti is allowed to remain, it invites more graffiti and may lead to an increase in vandalism and other criminal activity. Studies have shown that removal of graffiti within 24 to 48 hours results in a nearly zero rate of reoccurrence.

## What can you do to prevent graffiti?

Keep up appearances and remove graffiti quickly. Make every effort to keep the appearance of your property neat and clean. An exterior appearance that suggests neglect may attract vandals. Debris, dilapidated fences, overgrown vegetation, weeds etc. send a message to vandals that the property owners do not care about their properties. Graffiti vandals want

to "tag" properties where the graffiti won't be removed quickly.

Rapid and continual removal of graffiti is the best way for property owners to protect their property and neighborhood, and deter future instances of tagging. Also, work with the City or utility provider to ensure that graffiti is removed rapidly from public areas in your neighborhood.

If you have a reoccurring problem with graffiti, incorporate shrubs, plants or vines to restrict vandal access to walls, fences, sheds, garages, and other targets. Also, add or improve lighting around your property for additional security. A plain wall painted a light color is a blank canvas to a vandal.

## What should you do if your property is vandalized with graffiti?

Report and Document – Contact Public Safety to report graffiti vandalism at your home or business using the non-emergency telephone number. Ask Public Safety to complete an incident report, a common requirement of insurance companies. Take a picture of the graffiti before you remove it. Photographs will assist law enforcement in their investigation. If graffiti is on public property, contact the Graffiti Hotline. Remove – Remove graffiti promptly



and completely. Graffiti may be removed by several methods such as covering with similar colored paint, washing it with solvents, or spraying it with a high pressure water. Again, experience has shown that prompt removal is an effective deterrent to the reoccurrence of graffiti.

## Who is responsible for removing the graffiti?

Graffiti is a public nuisance. The Sunnyvale Municipal Code states that it is the property owner's responsibility to remove graffiti from a property. This includes homes, apartment buildings, fences, mailboxes etc. If the property owner fails to remove graffiti, the City may issue administrative citations until the graffiti is removed.

The City is responsible for removing graffiti on City property. Public Works responds to graffiti complaints on City property within three business days for "typical" graffiti, and within one business day for racial or obscene content.

The City cannot solve the graffiti problem alone. We need your help. To report graffiti on public property, please call the Graffiti Hotline. If you see someone vandalizing private or public property, call 9-1-1 immediately. If someone has painted graffiti on your property, report it immediately to Public Safety by calling the non-emergency telephone number and then remove it as quickly as possible. With your help, we can eliminate this blight and keep Sunnyvale a safe and attractive place to live, work, and play. ☀



# JULY IS PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

In order to raise awareness of the many benefits of Parks and Recreation programs, the National Recreation and Parks Association has declared the month of July to be National Parks and Recreation Month. July is an ideal month to visit one of the City of Sunnyvale's 18 beautiful parks, swim in one of our swimming pools, enjoy the gymnasium, the Community Center,

our many acres of park land or participate in some of the hundreds of classes offered by the City. The City's parks and recreation areas provide a safe and positive place for kids and adults to enjoy healthy activities, a spot for the community to relax and escape from the daily stresses of life, and a communal gathering place for families, friends, and colleagues to come together for fun and

entertainment – all in a setting that enhances nature and allows visitors to reconnect with the environment. Look through the summer edition of our *Activity Guide* for the recreation or park program that will surely offer each citizen a chance to enjoy and recognize the social, mental, economic, environmental, and community benefits derived from recreation classes, programs, parks and facilities. ☀

# SENIOR CENTER CELEBRATES 5TH ANNIVERSARY

On July 25, the Sunnyvale Senior Center will celebrate its fifth anniversary, Hawaiian style. The City of Sunnyvale has been serving older adults since 1958. After years of programming at different community sites, a new Senior Center opened in July 2003. This beautiful, state-of-the-art facility is located in scenic Community Center Park, a central location close to freeways and public transportation. The mission of the Senior Center is to encourage physical, mental and emotional health, independence and socialization among adults ages 50 and older to enhance enjoyment of life through recreation programs, related services and referral information

According to Mary Hidalgo, active center member, "After five years, the dream is still growing strong. The Senior Center has allowed people to come together to share good times and to make new friends." With more than 3,000 members, the 23,000 square foot Senior Center provides a wide variety of programs, services and events to local seniors. The center features a lively fitness room; a computer lab that featuring one-on-one training and "volunteer techies" to fix computers; more than 200 recreation related classes offered annually including arts, fitness and health, computer, dance and special interest classes, daily lunch program operated by a professional caterer; more than 50 drop-in activities, including chess, bridge, book club, Tai Chi, 40 day-long and extended trips offered annually (including intercontinental trips to Europe and South America), and a variety of health services and lectures offered year-round including blood pressure, blood glucose and hearing screenings, care management services in collaboration with the Council on Aging Silicon Valley, health education lectures; notary service, health insurance counseling and advocacy program, and senior employment services. Through all this activity, the Senior Center

maintains an ambiance where relationships are created and enhanced. "The real heart of the building is the warmth, friendship and caring for one another that comes from the many people who use the building. When you come to the center, you are member of our community and our family" said Kay Whitney, program coordinator. On July 25, we will celebrate five years of continued commitment to excellence in programming and service delivery. The celebration begins at 11:30 a.m. and will include a facility tour with an overview of our services, Hawaiian entertainment, and a tasty barbecue. Community members who are 50 and older are invited to come to the celebration, For more information call (408) 730-7360, TDD (408) 730-7501. ☀



# SUNNYVALE WELCOMES TWO NEW NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS

The City of Sunnyvale has two new additions to its growing registry of neighborhood associations, bringing the total to 22 associations. Morse Park Neighborhood Association and Wisteria Terrace Neighborhood Association both registered with the City this spring.

## Morse Park Neighborhood Association

*Chairman: Adam Berkan*

Morse Park Neighborhood Association, in North Sunnyvale, began holding meetings in early 2008. They have several goals, including: providing a mechanism for residents of the neighborhood to share their concerns and ideas, supporting the implementation of neighborhood improvements, fostering a sense of community and providing a voice in overall City planning projects. Morse Park Neighborhood Association welcomes any residents who live within the designated boundaries to participate in scheduled meetings, activities and events. Meetings are typically held on the first Thursday of the month. Visit <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/morseparkneighborhoodassociation> to join the group and obtain the latest meeting information.

## Wisteria Terrace Neighborhood Association

*President: Narayana Penukonda*

Wisteria Terrace Neighborhood Association is a small community, originally organized as a homeowners association (HOA). This group of 22 households recently decided to register with the City as a neighborhood association, with the goal of preserving and enhancing neighborhood quality of life. A neighborhood association is a good compliment to a HOA, allowing the HOA to focus on budget and maintenance issues, while the neighborhood association focuses on community building.

If you have an interest in forming a Neighborhood Association or would like more information about getting involved in your community, contact Nathan Truitt, Community Outreach Coordinator, at (408) 730-7472 or [ntruitt@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:ntruitt@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us).



# SENIOR TRIPS

**A**re you 50 or older and enjoy traveling? Then try out the Sunnyvale Senior Center Trip Program that offers day and extended trips year round. Members of the Senior Center receive a discount on trips and non-members can try out our program by paying a small additional fee. If you are a senior traveler and would like to invite family to accompany you, we can work to accommodate your request.

We offer wonderful day trips. All of which include free parking, round-trip transportation from the Senior Center, gratuities for the bus driver and two experienced escorts. Visit by the Senior Center and pick up a free copy of our *Steppin' Out Messenger* newsletter that describes all the trips available each quarter.

We also offer extended trips (overnight or longer) to exciting destinations. These extended trips include free parking and round-trip transportation from the Senior Center, as well as travel protection/interruption insurance, gratuities for all services (except for cruise lines), all transportation, most tours and meals, one or two experienced escorts and a tour director as required.

## Australia Plus North and South New Zealand

Monday., February 16, 2009 –  
Wednesday, March 4, 2009

Our trip to the land down under starts with three nights in Cairns, the heart of tropical north Australia. We'll experience the Great Barrier Reef with a catamaran cruise to Green Island and snorkeling or glass-bottom boat coral viewing. The next day we board the Kuranda Scenic Rail for a visit to the Tjapukai Aboriginal Cultural Park. Then we'll have the next three days to enjoy the best of Sydney, including a city tour, a visit to the Taronga Zoo, a Rocks walking tour, a tour of the world famous Opera House and a special Sydney Harbor Dinner Cruise. Next, we travel to Australia's capital, Canberra, for a tour and a visit to a working Aussie sheep station. After a short flight to Melbourne, we'll have three days to enjoy a city tour, a Yarra River boat cruise, a visit to the Koala Conservation Center and see the world's smallest penguins on Phillip Island. Then it's off to see New Zealand's north and south islands with their many attractions including Milford Sound, Rotorua,

the Whakarewarewa Thermal Reserve, Rainbow Springs Nature Park and the Waitomo Glow Worms Cave. Experience a Maori Hangi feast and a city tour of Auckland. The price for this 18-day, 17-night trip is \$6,441 per person double occupancy, \$7,691 single occupancy. Deposit is \$740 per person, with balance due December 3. Early booking discount of \$100 per person off final payment if deposit is paid by August 31.

## Branson, Memphis, and Nashville

Monday, March 25, 2009 –  
Thursday, April 2, 2009

Fly to St. Louis, Mo. to enjoy a tour of the city before traveling on to Branson for a three night stay. Branson offers many shows and attractions including the Jim Stafford Show, Silver Dollar City, the Branson Belle Showboat, a Shoji Tabuchi performance and a tour of the city. Continue on to Little Rock to visit the Clinton Presidential Library & Museum. Then it's off to Tunica, Miss., the South's casino capital for a two-night stay. From there, we'll travel to Memphis to tour Graceland and visit Beale Street. Next we head to Nashville for a two-night stay at the beautiful Opryland Resort, where we'll enjoy the best "Music City, U.S.A." has to offer at the famous Grand Ole Opry House. This nine-day, eight-night trip costs \$2,361 per person double occupancy, \$2,861 single occupancy. Deposit is \$440 per person, with balance due January 9, 2009. Early booking discount of \$50 per person off final payment if deposit is paid by August 31.

## Chicago Getaway

May 2009

Spend all five nights in downtown Chicago as you enjoy all that's wonderful about the Windy City. You'll experience an extensive city tour, a River Cruise showcasing the city's unique architecture, and a visit to the Sears Tower, the Navy Pier, the homes of Frank Lloyd Wright and Ernest Hemingway and the Field Museum - the home of Sue, the world's largest T-Rex. You'll also visit Indiana's Amish country and the Notre Dame University. This six-day, five-night adventure costs \$2,241 per person double occupancy, \$2,891 single occupancy. Deposit is \$440 per person.

## Trains of the Colorado Rockies

June 2009

This is a mountain and train lover's dream vacation. After flying into Denver, we'll travel America's highest continuous highway, 12,183 feet above sea level, in Rocky Mountain National Park, and pass over the Devil's Gate High Bridge on the narrow gauge Georgetown Loop Railroad. Then we'll visit Vail, Grand Junction and the Colorado National Monument as we travel along Rim Rock on our journey thru wine country, where we'll enjoy a wine maker's dinner. We'll also drive through the San Juan Mountains to historic Silverton with

its spectacular views and Victorian charm, visit Mesa Verde National Park, the Spruce Tree Cliff dwellings and the famous Cliff Palace, board the Royal Gorge Railroad to cross over the world's highest suspension bridge (1,053'), take the Pike's Peak Cog Railway up to the Garden of the Gods, with its magnificent views of spectacular sandstone formations and Pike's Peak (14,110'), and spend two nights in Colorado Springs before heading home. This nine-day, eight-night trip costs \$2,810 per person double occupancy, \$3,510 single occupancy. Deposit is \$335 per person.

## Canadian Discovery by Rail

Early October 2009

We'll travel across Canada from Toronto to the Pacific Ocean. While in Toronto we'll have a city tour featuring the medieval castle Casa Loma, Yorkville, High Park, University of Toronto and more. On day three, we board VIA Rail Canada for a three day train ride across Ontario, Manitoba and Saskatchewan to Jasper National Park in the Canadian Rockies. We'll visit Icefields Parkway and Peyto Lake, plus ride a Snowcoach onto the 1,000 foot thick Athabasca Glacier. During our three days in Banff, we'll delight in the views of Lake Louise, Moraine Lake and the Valley of Ten Peaks, tour the Tunnel Mountains, Bow Falls and the Hoodoos; and take a ride up the Sulfur Mountain Gondola. Then we board the Rocky Mountaineer Train for two full days of daylight travel along the scenic Kicking Horse Route all the way to Canada's Pacific coast. Highlights include: the Spiral Tunnels, the Continental Divide, the Last Spike Marker, and Rogers Pass, Kamloops B.C., Thompson River, Hell's Gate and Fraser Valley before ending in Vancouver, B.C. We'll have a city tour of Vancouver before heading home. This 11-day, 10-night trip costs \$6,293 per person double occupancy, \$7,493 single occupancy. Deposit is \$599 per person.

You owe it to yourself to give us a try. We've had friends and family join us on trips from all over the U.S. Some of them meet us at our destination, and some travel to Sunnyvale to take advantage of our round-trip services. Whether you participate in a daylong trip, an overnight bus trip, a cruise or an extended trip of many nights, you'll have an opportunity to meet new friends, see some great sights and return home with wonderful memories.

Trip information is listed on the Web at [Seniors.inSunnyvale.com](http://Seniors.inSunnyvale.com), in the Senior Center's quarterly Steppin' Out Messenger newsletter, and the quarterly Activity Guide. Plus, flyers filled with details for each of our extended trips are available at the Senior Center. If you are not currently receiving these publications, and would like to, contact the Sunnyvale Senior Center at (408) 730-7360, TDD (408) 730-7501. ☺

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR COOLING CENTERS

When the weather heats up, the City of Sunnyvale provides cooling centers for residents who need a relief from the heat. The City is looking for a team of volunteers who can help staff these centers. The main volunteer job would be to help keep people comfortable during heat waves. No medical training is necessary, but if being around other people in a casual environment is of interest, this would be a great opportunity. For more information, call Volunteer Resources at (408) 730-7533, TDD (408) 730-7501 for more information.



# NEW PROGRAM FOR SUNNYVALE PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

The City of Sunnyvale's Youth and Family Resources Division will offer free monthly parent education workshops beginning in July. The workshops are scheduled for the third Thursday evening of each month and will alternate between two locations in Sunnyvale. Workshops will be facilitated by professionals in the fields of child development, parent education, counseling, and youth development. Parents and guardians will learn practical parenting tips and techniques as well as participate in a question and answer session to discuss their specific challenges or successes. Registration is optional will help ensure there are enough materials to go around. Register by e-mailing your name and number of participants to [childcareresources@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:childcareresources@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us) or by calling (408) 523-8150.

## Workshop Topic: Parenting Adolescents

Thursday, July 17  
6:15 p.m. – 7:45 pm  
Sunnyvale City Council  
Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

Do you feel like you have no control as a parent? This is normal, especially if you have a teenager. Learn about the often turbulent times of parenting an adolescent. We will discuss the developmental milestones of this age group and how to respond to the common challenges of rebellion, social withdrawal, bullying, peer pressure and forging an individual identity. The workshop will be interactive and fast-paced so please be on time. There will be an opportunity for discussion, so feel free to bring questions.

**Facilitator:** Christina Llerena, MSW, CLL Consulting's founder, has more than 14 years of bilingual social work experience working in diverse communities of children, youth, families, and parents in New York City and the California Bay Area. Seasoned in clinical counseling and program management, Christina sees herself as a "grassroots clinician" and thrives on empowering others. Christina holds a Master of Science degree in Social Work from Columbia University in New York City, New York (1998) and a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology (1994) from University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

## Workshop Topic: Parenting for Positive Behavior (offered by El Camino Hospital)

Thursday, August 21  
6:15 p.m. – 7:30 pm  
Bishop Elementary School  
Auditorium, 450 N. Sunnyvale Ave.

In this workshop, participants will learn to recognize and value the special needs of their children, to utilize new techniques for guiding their children, and to understand the impact of our environment

on children and their behavior. By becoming a more competent parent, participants will have the opportunity to find greater enjoyment in their parental role.

**Facilitator:** Elizabeth Dixon, LCSW is a licensed clinical social worker with more than 25 years of experience working with teens and adults. She provides educational seminars in the community and at many organizations in Silicon Valley. She also writes on mental health topics for a teen publication at a local high school. She is a working parent of a 20 year old girl and a 16 year old boy.

## Workshop Topic: Learn about Developmental Assets and How To Ensure Your Child Has What He/She Needs to Thrive (offered by Project Cornerstone)

Thursday, Sept. 18  
6:15 p.m. – 7:30 pm  
Sunnyvale City Council  
Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

Developmental assets are the

positive relationships, opportunities, values and skills that young people need to grow up caring and responsible. Research conducted by the Search Institute identified 40 developmental assets as the essential building blocks of healthy child and youth development - including adult role models, positive peer influence, caring school climates and a sense that community values youth. Gain practical tips on how you can assist your child in developing their assets to ensure positive development and growth.

**Facilitator:** Anne Ehresman is the Executive Director of Project Cornerstone and has 20 years of non-profit leadership experience that includes fighting childhood hunger, preventing child abuse, and developing housing and programs to help low-income families achieve self-sufficiency. Anne holds a Master's in Social Welfare from University of California at Berkeley and Bachelor's degree from Brown University. Anne is Vice President of the Community Working Group Board of Directors, loves spending time with her family, and is an active volunteer in her children's schools. ☀

# AMERICA'S NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME

On Tuesday, August 5, neighborhoods throughout Sunnyvale are invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the 24th annual National Night Out crime and drug prevention event.

National Night Out is an organized effort to raise crime and drug prevention awareness, increase neighborhood spirit, develop police-community partnerships and to let criminals know that neighborhoods are prepared to fight back.

From 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., residents are encouraged to lock their doors, turn on outside lights and spend the evening with neighbors. Sunnyvale neighborhoods that plan to participate by hosting special events may contact Mariana Alvarez, Public Safety Crime Prevention Unit, at (408) 730-7117. More information about National Night Out is available by calling National Association of Town Watch at (610) 649-7055 or visiting [www.nationalnightout.org](http://www.nationalnightout.org).

# SPECIAL OLYMPICS UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunnyvale's Department of Public Safety (DPS) officers have a history of being strong supporters of Special Olympics. DPS officers will be participating in two upcoming events to support the charity.

## July 19 Power Pull, Great America

This fundraising event pits teams of 15 against each other to see who can pull a Central Concrete truck filled with 38,000 pounds of gravel and a Sunnyvale Fire Truck filled with water weighing 66,000 pounds the fastest over a measured distance. For more information, call (408) 392-0170, ext. 202.

## August 27 Tip a Cop

5 p.m. – 9 p.m.  
Firehouse Brewery

Sunnyvale Public Safety Officers assist wait staff for tips to donate to Special Olympics. Meet the officers and the athletes. For more information, call (408) 730-7199. ☀



# CALIFORNIA THEATRE CENTER PRESENTS SUMMER REP 2008

JUNE 5 THROUGH JULY 27

California Theatre Center, Sunnyvale's own resident, professional repertory company presents its popular Summer Rep series in June and July in at the Sunnyvale Theatre in the Sunnyvale Community Center.

All performances are held at the Sunnyvale Theatre at the Sunnyvale Community Center, 550 E Remington Drive. Season subscriptions, on sale now, range from \$40 – \$65. Single tickets range from \$18 – \$25. Discounts are available for students and seniors, and group discounts are available for groups of 10 or more. California Theatre Center's Summer Rep 2008 performances are held Thursdays through Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m. Each Opening Night includes a free champagne reception following the performance, and each Sunday performance includes a free post-show talkback with the cast.

For tickets and more information, call the CTC Summer Rep Box Office at (408) 720-0873, or visit [www.ctcinc.org](http://www.ctcinc.org).

## Mary's Wedding and The Dock Brief

Opening the season on June 5 is a double bill of two short plays, *Mary's Wedding*, a love story by Stephen Massicotte, and *The Dock Brief*, a dark comedy by British playwright John Mortimer.

*Mary's Wedding* is a soaring love story that examines the enduring, painful cost of war. Mary meets Charlie in a barn during a thunderstorm and love is born. It is 1914, and they are separated by World War I in this dreamlike and tender story of innocent first love and the fickleness of fate. According to the *Calgary Herald*, the play is “a delicate exploration of the excitement, beauty and purity of the first flush of romance... Massicotte is a gifted storyteller with an ear for detail and imagery.”

*The Dock Brief* is a dark comedy depicting an unsuccessful aging barrister asked to represent a wife murderer. He hopes that a “not guilty” verdict will bring him the fame that has always eluded him and constructs a masterly defense. With its ingenious ending, the *London Times* notes that the play “touched that rare dramatic level at which comedy and tragedy are indistinguishable.” A real life barrister, Mortimer is best known around the world for his creation of the British television series *Rumpole of the Bailey*.

### Performances:

**Evenings:** June 5 (Preview), 6 (Opening), 7, 19 and 20, and July 11, 19 and 25

**Sunday afternoon performances:** June 29 and July 20

### Liberty Inn

Next up is the delightful romantic comedy *Liberty Inn*, adapted by Bay

Area native Dakin Matthews. *Liberty Inn* is an adaptation of *Mirandolina*, by the great Italian playwright Carlo Goldoni, reset during the American Revolution. *Mirandolina* is known throughout the thirteen states for her charm and vivaciousness and for her shrewd business skills as innkeeper of Liberty Inn. Her wit and wisdom are put to the test as she juggles the attentions of a haughty but poor French aristocrat and a rich and aloof American captain. Which man will she choose? The final decision will be made by a new kind of woman in a new kind of country, and plenty of laughs will be had along the way.

### Performances:

**Evenings:** June 12 (Preview), 13 (Opening), 14 and 21 and July 4, 17 and 26

**Sunday afternoon performance:** July 6

### The Matchmaker

The third and final show in the season will be the classic farce *The Matchmaker* by Thornton Wilder, on which the hit musical *Hello, Dolly* was based. An irascible, wealthy store owner in Yonkers, New York, circa 1880, employs a matchmaker to find him a wife. The shrewd businessman becomes putty in the hands of Dolly Levi, who pretends to make a match for him but in reality is making it for herself, all while leading a rather ordinary group of people on the adventures of a lifetime. It's all in the name of love.

### Performances:

**Evenings:** June 26 (Preview), 27 (Opening), and 28 and July 3, 5, 10, 12, 18 and 24

**Sunday afternoon performances:** July 13 and 27 🍷

## SPLASH EVENTS AT LAKEWOOD PARK AND SUNNYVALE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Featuring games, snacks and prizes.

### Lakewood Park Pool Special Event

Friday, July 11  
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
Cost: \$1

### Sunnyvale Middle School

Pool Special Event  
Friday, August 8  
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
Resident Fees: \$2 child, \$3 adult  
Non-resident Fees: \$3 child, \$4 adult

# SUMMER MOVIE NIGHTS AT THE FIREHOUSE

JULY 10 – STATION 3  
(910 TICONDEROGA DRIVE)

**RATATOUILLE**

JULY 26 – STATION 1  
(171 N. MATHILDA AVE.)

**PAGEMASTER**

JULY 26 – STATION 4  
(996 WOLFE ROAD)

**THE JUNGLE BOOK**

OPEN TO KIDS IN GRADES K – 5; SHOWTIME: 6:30 P.M.

BRING YOUR CHAIRS AND JOIN US FOR POPCORN AND A MOVIE. FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO RESERVE A SPOT, CALL (408) 730-7117, TDD (408) 730-7501. SPACE MAY BE LIMITED.



# PAPER SHREDDING SECURES YOUR HOME AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Free up space, eliminate security risks, and get rid of your out-dated papers. The City of Sunnyvale is sponsoring a paper-shredding event for residents and employees at the Pancake Breakfast, October 11 at Fire Station 2.

Sunnyvale residents are welcome to participate in the City-sponsored shredding events coordinated by Public Safety and the Recycling Program. At the City's the last shredding event at the Health and Safety Fair more than 200 car loads and 10 tons (20,000 pounds) of material were shredded and recycled.

Sunnyvale residents may bring

personal paper records and files – up to 15 boxes or bags – for on-site shredding by a professional document management company, free of charge. Staples, rubber bands, folders and paper clips do not need to be removed. Spiral-bound notebooks are also accepted. No appointment is required.

Participants will be able to drive through the shredding area and will be provided with assistance in unloading materials, if needed. Materials will also be accepted from those on bikes or walking.

The material to be shredded is emptied into large carts and tipped into the shredding truck. It is important to have the materials

properly contained in boxes or bags to prevent litter.

All documents will be shredded on site. If requested, a Certificate of Destruction will be provided.

For more information, call (408) 730-7262, TDD (408) 730-7501. ☎

## COMPOST WORKSHOPS

### Enhance Your Yard – Learn How to Make Compost

Turning your food scraps and yard trimmings into a valuable soil amendment – compost – in your own back yard is easy, and the City of Sunnyvale can show you how. Attend one of the City's monthly compost workshops at the Sunnyvale Senior Center, and discover how nutrient-rich compost promotes healthy soil and healthy plants – not to mention healthy people. Workshops are held monthly through October.

Workshops are held from 10 a.m. to noon at the Sunnyvale Community Center Heritage Center Building at 550 E. Remington Drive. The next workshops will be held on July 19, August 16 and September 20. Participants will get other valuable gardening tips, including how to reduce the use of pesticides and how to work with your gardener.

After attending the workshop, Sunnyvale residents may purchase a compost bin (one bin per household) with an instruction book for only \$28 – 70 percent off the retail price. There is no charge to attend a workshop, but registration is requested. Register on line at [www.sunnyvalerecycles.org](http://www.sunnyvalerecycles.org) or call (408) 730-7262, TDD (408) 730-7501.

## EXPLORER CHALLENGE

Public Safety Explorers traveled north to Rohnert Park, April 19, to compete in the 2008 Redwood Empire Explorer Challenge. Opening ceremonies started the 12-hour day at 8 a.m., followed by two sessions of classroom instruction. Teams of two to three Explorers then spent the rest of the time competing amongst their peers from 38 central and northern California agencies. Group scenarios included hostage negotiation, high risk car stop, domestic violence investigation, emergency first aid, burglary-in-progress and use of force. Individual events included a sample written exam, shoot/don't shoot firearms simulator and a physical agility and bicycle obstacle course.

Explorers, responding to the mock scenarios as officers, had to practice the skills they learn in training throughout the year, and each event was graded on a point scale by an observer. They prepared for weeks to be ready for this competition and it paid off. Explorers John Lam and Corinne Abernathy took second place in domestic violence investigation and Explorers Aaron Schwartz, Nathan Raff and Aly Rajah took second place in burglary-in-progress. The rest of the group included Explorers Joey Gonzales, Krystal Pham, Isabel Orozco, Aldo Kcomt, and Ryan Scripps.

For more information about Sunnyvale Explorers, call the Crime Prevention Unit at (408) 730-7140, TDD (408) 730-7501. ☎

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## SUMMER SAFETY TIPS

### Prevent bicycle theft:

- Be sure to lock your bicycle to a stationary object. The best locking device is a hardened steel U-shaped lock. Avoid locks, chains or cables that can easily be cut or broken.
- Make sure both wheels are locked and remove any accessories that can be easily taken.

### Prevent lawn mower theft:

- Keep the mower in a locked garage or shed.

### Yard security:

- If you're working in the front yard, lock the back door and garage. If you're working in the back yard, lock the front door and garage.
- Don't keep ladders or other equipment in the yard that could be used to gain access to your home.
- Keep shrubs, bushes, hedges and fences to a height of three feet or less.
- Solid fences can prevent neighbors from watching out for each other. Consider chain link or picket fencing.
- Residential lighting should be used to light home entry points. Motion detector lights are an inexpensive deterrent for areas where continuous lighting is unnecessary.



**July 1 – September 30, 2008**  
**Community Calendar also available online:**  
[www.sunnyvale.ca.gov/events](http://www.sunnyvale.ca.gov/events)

In addition to City-sponsored events, the Community Calendar includes non City-sponsored events. Events posted to this calendar do not necessarily imply endorsement by the City of Sunnyvale. The calendar serves as an information-only resource for the community. All dates and times are subject to change.

**City Holidays**  
**Friday, July 4**  
Independence Day (City Offices Closed)  
**Monday, September 1**  
Labor Day (City Offices Closed)

**Recurring Meetings and Events**

**City Council:** Meets most Tuesdays at 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W Olive Ave.  
**Arts Commission:** Meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission:** Meets on the third Thursday of the month, 6:30 p.m., West Conference Room, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Board of Building Code Appeals:** Meetings are held only when necessary. For more information call (408) 730-7444.

**Board of Library Trustees:** Meets on the first Monday of the month, 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave. If the first Monday is a City Observed holiday, the meeting will be held on the second Monday of the month in the Library Program Room.

**Child Care Advisory Board:** Meets on the fourth Tuesday of each quarter, 1 p.m., West Conference Room, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Heritage Preservation Commission:** Meets on the first Wednesday of each month (as needed), 7 p.m., West Conference Room, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Housing and Human Services Commission:** Meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month, 7 p.m., West Conference Room, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Parks and Recreation Commission:** Meets on the second Wednesday of the month, 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Personnel Board:** Meets on the third Monday of the month, 5 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Planning Commission:** Meets on the second and fourth Monday of the month, 8 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Recurring Community Meetings and Events**

**American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Monthly Meeting:** Meets the first Wednesday of the month, 1:30 p.m., Sunnyvale Senior Center, 550 E. Remington Drive. For more information, contact Nellie Durand, (408) 296-3805.

**Business Mixer:** Evening networking events held at 5 p.m., every fourth Thursday of the month. For more information or to make a reservation, contact the Sunnyvale Chamber of Commerce, (408) 736-4971.

**Farmer's Market:** Saturdays (rain or shine), 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., S. Murphy Ave. between Washington and Evelyn Avenues. For more information, call (510) 745-7100 or visit [www.urbanvillageonline.com/sunnyvale/index.html](http://www.urbanvillageonline.com/sunnyvale/index.html)

**Fair Oaks Toastmasters:** Meets Sundays, 11:30 a.m., Fair Oaks West Club, 655 S. Fair Oaks Ave. For more information, contact Hanh Chau, (408) 251-2521, [hcbau1@aol.com](mailto:hcbau1@aol.com) or visit [www.geocities.com/fairoakstoastmasters](http://www.geocities.com/fairoakstoastmasters) .

**Glaucoma Support Group Of The South Bay:** Meets the fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m., Camino Medical Group Urgent Care Center; Conference Room #2, 201 Old San Francisco Road. For more information, contact Sally Twestens, Health Education Department, Camino Medical Group, (408) 523-3221 or Chris Saleh, Moderator/Founder, (408) 404-8479.

**Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off:** Drop-off at Sunnyvale Event Site (164 Carl Rd), 8 a.m. – 1 p.m., Held on the third Saturday of every month (except December). For more information, call (408) 730-7262, TDD (408) 730-7501.

**Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting:** Meets Wednesdays, 7:20 a.m., Lookout Inn, 605 Macara Ave., (Sunnyvale Golf Course). For more information, contact Bruce Carlson, (408) 774-0609 or [bruce@carlsonfun.com](http://bruce@carlsonfun.com).

**Silicon Valley Toastmasters:** Meets Wednesdays, 5 p.m., 260 S. Sunnyvale, Suite #4. Become a better speaker and leader. For more information, contact Sarah Newman at (866) 387-4086 or visit <http://siliconvalley.freetoasthost.com>

**Wake-Up Sunnyvale:** Monthly networking breakfasts held every second Thursday of the month at 7:30 a.m. For more information or to make a reservation, contact the Sunnyvale Chamber of Commerce, (408) 736-4971.

**Neighborhood Association Meetings**

**Heritage District Neighborhood Association Meetings:** Meets the first Friday of each month, 7 p.m., Murphy Park Building, 260 N. Sunnyvale Ave. For more information, please call Tom Carrig, (408) 736-6147.

**Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association Meetings:** Meets the second Thursday of each month, 7 p.m. (except December), Fairwood School or Lakewood School – please visit the Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association web site for locations at [www.lvna.net](http://www.lvna.net). For more information, e-mail Michael Majchrowicz, [president@lvna.net](mailto:president@lvna.net).

**San Miguel Neighbors Association Meetings:** Meets the second Monday of each month, 7 p.m., San Miguel School Teachers' Lounge, 777 San Miguel Ave. For more information, please call Tara Martin-Milius, (408) 733-5778 or [taramil@sbcbglobal.net](mailto:taramil@sbcbglobal.net).

**SNAIL (Sunnyvale Neighbors of Arbor Including La Linda):** Meets the first Thursday of each month, 7 p.m., Columbia Middle School Teacher's Lounge, 739 Morse Ave. For more information, contact Michael Rose, (408) 736-4811.

**Classes and Programs**

**Compost Workshop,** Sunnyvale Community Center Arboretum, 10 a.m. – noon. Workshops are one Saturday per month with registration deadline the day before. For more information, call the Recycling Program at (408) 730-7262, TDD (408) 730-7501.

**July**  
**July 1**  
**No City Council Meeting Scheduled**

**July 2**  
**Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley**  
Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m.

**American Association of Retired Persons (AARP)** Monthly Meeting, 1:30 p.m.

**Downtown Music and Market Series** - *The Hitmen:* 5 p.m. – 8 p.m., Downtown Sunnyvale, Murphy Ave. For more information, call (408) 516-7217.

**Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**July 3**  
**SNAIL Neighborhood Association**  
Monthly Meeting, 7 p.m.

**July 3 – 27**  
**California Theatre Center** presents – *The Matchmaker*; for more information or to purchase tickets, call (408) 733-6611 or visit [www.ctcinc.org](http://www.ctcinc.org) .

**July 4**  
**City Offices Closed** - Independence Day

**Star Spangled Sunnyvale – Community Picnic,** Baylands Park, noon – 2 p.m., 999 Caribbean Drive. Bring a picnic lunch and enjoy a good old fashioned picnic at Baylands Park. All picnic sites will be free and available on a first come, first served basis and parking is free for Sunnyvale residents with valid ID. For more information, call (408) 730-7751, TDD (408) 730-7501.

**July 5**  
**Farmer's Market,** 9 a.m.

**July 6**  
**Fair Oaks Toastmasters,** 11:30 a.m.

**July 6 – 26**  
**California Theatre Center** presents – Liberty Inn, for more information or to purchase tickets, call (408) 733-6611 or visit [www.ctcinc.org](http://www.ctcinc.org) .

**July 7**  
**Board of Library Trustees Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**July 8**  
**No City Council Meeting Scheduled**

**July 9**  
**Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley**  
Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m.

**Downtown Music and Market Series** – Andre Thierry (zydeco): 5 p.m. – 8 p.m., Downtown Sunnyvale, Murphy Ave. For more information, call (408) 516-7217.

**Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**July 10**  
**Wake-Up Sunnyvale,** 7:30 a.m.

**July 11 – 25**  
**California Theatre Center** presents -Mary's Wedding and The Dock Brief, for more information or to purchase tickets, call (408) 733-6611 or visit [www.ctcinc.org](http://www.ctcinc.org)

**July 12**  
**Farmer's Market,** 9 a.m.

**Astronomer Extraordinaire: Andrew Fraknoi,** 2 p.m., Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. Learn about the wonderful world of space with the popular scientist. Ages 5 and up. For more information on Library events, call (408) 730-7300 or visit [www.sunnyvalelibrary.org](http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org).

**July 13**  
**Fair Oaks Toastmasters,** 11:30 a.m.

**July 14**  
**San Miguel Neighbors Association**  
General Meeting, 7 p.m.

**Planning Commission Meeting,** 8 p.m.

**July 15**  
**City Council Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**July 16**  
**Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley**  
Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m.

**Downtown Music and Market Series** – *Sage:* 5 p.m. - 8 p.m., Downtown Sunnyvale, Murphy Ave. For more information, call (408) 516-7217.

**Arts Commission Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**July 17**  
**Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission Meeting,** 6:30 p.m.

**Ventriloquist Steve Chaney,** 7 p.m., Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. Steve Chaney and his friendly puppet Cornelius Crowe will wow the crowd with hilarious comedy and spectacular ventriloquism. For more information on Library events, call (408) 730-7300 or visit [www.sunnyvalelibrary.org](http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org).

**July 19**  
**Farmer's Market,** 9 a.m.

**Compost Workshop,** 10 a.m.

**Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off,** 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

**Friends of the Library Book Sale,** 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. Uncover terrific deals on thousands of books. Sale will take place in the Library Program Room. For more information on Library events, call (408) 730-7300 or visit [www.sunnyvalelibrary.org](http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org).

**July 20**  
**Fair Oaks Toastmasters,** 11:30 a.m.

**July 21**  
**Personnel Board Meeting,** 5 p.m.

**An Evening with Opera San Jose,** 7 p.m. Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. Opera San Jose artists will perform selections from the upcoming 2008-09 season which includes Eugene Onegin, The Elixir of Love, Così fan tutte and Carmen. For more information on Library events, call (408) 730-7300 or visit [www.sunnyvalelibrary.org](http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org).

**July 22**  
**Child Care Advisory Board Meeting,** 1p.m.

**City Council Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**Scrapbooking with Linda Levine,** 6:30 p.m. Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. Teens and adults are invited to join us to learn about scrapbooking in this exciting hands-on workshop. Registration is required. For more information on Library events, call (408) 730-7300 or visit [www.sunnyvalelibrary.org](http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org).

**July 23**  
**Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley**  
Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m.

**Downtown Music and Market Series** - Mama Pacho: 5 p.m. – 8 p.m., Downtown Sunnyvale, Murphy Ave. For more information, call (408) 516-7217

**Glaucoma Support Group Of The South Bay,** 6:30 p.m.

**Housing and Human Services Commission Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**'For Your Health' Free Community Wellness Presentation:** I Think I Can, I Think I Can, I Know I Can (Behavior Change), 7 p.m., Sunnyvale City Council Chambers, 456 West Olive Ave. Presented by Karen Handy, MPH, through a partnership between Palo Alto Medical Foundation and the City of Sunnyvale. Reservations are recommended as seating is limited. To register, call (408) 523-3295.

**July 24**  
**Business Mixer,** 5 p.m.

**July 26**  
**Farmer's Market,** 9 a.m.



<p><b>July 27</b>  <b>Fair Oaks Toastmasters</b>, 11:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>July 28</b>  <b>Planning Commission Meeting</b>, 8 p.m.</p> <p><b>July 29</b>  <b>No City Council Meeting Scheduled</b></p> <p><b>July 30</b>  <b>Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting</b>, 7:20 a.m.</p> <p><b>Downtown Music and Market Series – Dub FX</b>: 5 p.m. – 8 p.m., Downtown Sunnyvale, Murphy Ave. For more information, call (408) 516-7217</p> <p><b>July 30</b>  <b>Jewish Literature: Let’s Talk About It Book Discussion</b>: 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. For more information on Library events, call (408) 730-7300 or visit <a href="http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org">www.sunnyvalelibrary.org</a>.</p> <p><b>August</b>  <b>August 2</b>  <b>Stress, Breath &amp; You</b>: 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m., Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. An interactive talk, which focuses on breathing techniques that releases stress and heightens mental clarity and awareness. For more information on Library events, call (408) 730-7300 or visit <a href="http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org">www.sunnyvalelibrary.org</a>.</p> <p><b>Farmer’s Market</b>, 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>August 2-3</b>  <b>Relay for Life</b>, 10 a.m., Sunnyvale Middle School track and field, 1080 Mango Ave. This is an American Cancer Society fundraiser. For more information, contact Jess Herrera, (408) 688-0108, <a href="mailto:jess.herrera@cancer.org">jess.herrera@cancer.org</a>.</p> <p><b>August 3</b>  <b>Fair Oaks Toastmasters</b>, 11:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>August 4</b>  <b>Board of Library Trustees Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>August 5</b>  <b>No Council Meeting Scheduled</b></p> <p><b>Book Networking</b>: 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. The class includes brief overviews of some of the more popular sites and what they can do for you. No registration necessary. For more information on Library events, call (408) 730-7300 or visit <a href="http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org">www.sunnyvalelibrary.org</a>.</p> <p><b>National Night Out</b>, 7 p.m. Neighborhoods throughout Sunnyvale are invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the 25th annual National Night Out crime and drug prevention event. Sunnyvale neighborhoods that plan to participate by hosting special events may contact Mariana Alvarez, Public Safety Crime Prevention Unit (408) 730-7117. More information about National Night Out is available, by calling National Association of Town Watch, (800) NITE-OUT or visiting <a href="http://www.nationalnightout.org/nno">www.nationalnightout.org/nno</a> .</p> <p><b>August 6</b>  <b>Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting</b>, 7:20 a.m.</p> <p><b>American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Monthly Meeting</b>, 1:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>Downtown Music and Market Series – Double Funk Crunch</b>: 5 p.m. – 8 p.m., Downtown Sunnyvale, Murphy Ave. For more information, call (408) 516-7217</p> <p><b>Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>August 7</b>  <b>SNAIL Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>August 8</b>  <b>Heritage District Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>August 9</b>  <b>Farmer’s Market</b>, 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>August 10</b>  <b>Fair Oaks Toastmasters</b>, 11:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>August 11</b>  <b>San Miguel Neighbors Association General Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>Planning Commission Meeting</b>, 8 p.m.</p> <p><b>August 12</b>  <b>City Council Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>August 13</b>  <b>Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting</b>, 7:20 a.m.</p> <p><b>Chocolate Extravaganza</b>: 3 p.m., Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. More chocolate than you can eat. Chocolate poetry, chocolate games, chocolate prizes, chocolate, chocolate, chocolate. For more information on Library events, call (408) 730-7300 or visit <a href="http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org">www.sunnyvalelibrary.org</a>.</p> <p><b>Downtown Music and Market Series – Busta Groove</b>: 5 p.m. – 8 p.m., Downtown Sunnyvale, Murphy Ave. For more information, call (408) 516-7217</p> <p><b>Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>August 14</b>  <b>Wake-Up Sunnyvale</b>, 7:30 a.m.</p>	<p><b>WildLIFE Associates</b> presents <i>Creepy Critters</i>: 2 p.m., Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. Explore the gentler side of the most misunderstood squiggly and squirmy animals of the animal kingdom. Ages 5 and up. For more information on Library events, call (408) 730-7300 or visit <a href="http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org">www.sunnyvalelibrary.org</a>.</p> <p><b>August 16</b>  <b>Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off</b>, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.</p> <p><b>Farmer’s Market</b>, 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>Compost Workshop</b>, 10 a.m.</p> <p><b>August 17</b>  <b>Fair Oaks Toastmasters</b>, 11:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>August 18</b>  <b>Personnel Board Meeting</b>, 5 p.m.</p> <p><b>August 19</b>  <b>City Council Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>August 20</b>  <b>Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting</b>, 7:20 a.m.</p> <p><b>Downtown Music and Market Series – Manicato</b>: 5 p.m. – 8 p.m., Downtown Sunnyvale, Murphy Ave. For more information, call (408) 516-7217</p> <p><b>Glaucoma Support Group Of The South Bay</b>, 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>Arts Commission Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>August 21</b>  <b>Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BPAC) Meeting</b>, 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>August 23</b>  <b>Farmer’s Market</b>, 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>August 24</b>  <b>Fair Oaks Toastmasters</b>, 11:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>August 25</b>  <b>Planning Commission Meeting</b>, 8 p.m.</p> <p><b>August 26</b>  <b>No Council Meeting Scheduled</b></p> <p><b>August 27</b>  <b>Downtown Music and Market Series – The Groove Kings</b>: 5 p.m. – 8 p.m., Downtown Sunnyvale, Murphy Ave. For more information, call (408) 516-7217</p> <p><b>Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting</b>, 7:20 a.m.</p> <p><b>Housing and Human Services Commission Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>August 28</b>  <b>Business Mixer</b>, 5 p.m.</p> <p><b>August 30</b>  <b>Farmer’s Market</b>, 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>August 31</b>  <b>Fair Oaks Toastmasters</b>, 11:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>September</b></p> <p><b>September 1</b>  <b>City Offices Closed</b> - Labor Day</p> <p><b>September 2</b>  <b>No City Council Meeting Scheduled</b></p> <p><b>September 3</b>  <b>Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting</b>, 7:20 a.m.</p> <p><b>American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Monthly Meeting</b>, 1:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>September 4</b>  <b>SNAIL Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>September 5</b>  <b>Heritage District Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>September 6</b>  <b>Farmer’s Market</b>, 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>September 7</b>  <b>Fair Oaks Toastmasters</b>, 11:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>September 8</b>  <b>Board of Library Trustees Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>San Miguel Neighbors Association General Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>Planning Commission Meeting</b>, 8 p.m.</p> <p><b>September 9</b>  <b>City Council Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>September 10</b>  <b>Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting</b>, 7:20 a.m.</p> <p><b>Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>September 11</b>  <b>Wake-Up Sunnyvale</b>, 7:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>September 13</b>  <b>Farmer’s Market</b>, 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>State of the City Celebration</b>, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., Downtown Sunnyvale. For more information, call (408) 730-7535.</p> <p><b>September 14</b>  <b>Fair Oaks Toastmasters</b>, 11:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>September 15</b>  <b>Personnel Board Meeting</b>, 5 p.m.</p> <p><b>September 16</b>  <b>City Council Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>September 17</b>  <b>Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting</b>, 7:20 a.m.</p> <p><b>Arts Commission Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>September 18</b>  <b>Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BPAC) Meeting</b>, 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>September 20</b>  <b>Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off</b>, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.</p> <p><b>Farmer’s Market</b>, 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>Compost Workshop</b>, 10 a.m.</p> <p><b>September 21</b>  <b>Fair Oaks Toastmasters</b>, 11:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>September 22</b>  <b>Planning Commission Meeting</b>, 8 p.m.</p> <p><b>September 23</b>  <b>No City Council Meeting Scheduled.</b></p> <p><b>September 24</b>  <b>Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting</b>, 7:20 a.m.</p> <p><b>Housing and Human Services Commission Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>‘For Your Health’ Free Community Wellness Presentation</b>: Mindful Eating (based on the work of Jon Kabat-Zinn) – Presented by Toni Toledo, MPH, RD and Letticia Ramos, 7 p.m., Sunnyvale City Council Chambers, 456 West Olive Ave.; presented through a partnership between Palo Alto Medical Foundation (PAMF) and the City of Sunnyvale. This seminar will explore various eating styles and techniques to break the habit of mindless eating and move toward becoming more mindful eaters. Reservations are recommended as seating is limited. To reserve your spot, call (408) 523-3295.</p> <p><b>Glaucoma Support Group Of The South Bay</b>, 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>September 25</b>  <b>Business Mixer</b>, 5 p.m.</p> <p><b>September 27</b>  <b>Farmer’s Market</b>, 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>Sunnyvale Historical Museum Grand Opening</b>, noon – 4 p.m., Heritage Park, 550 E. Remington Drive. For more information, call (408) 736-4713 or visit <a href="http://www.heritageparkmuseum.org">www.heritageparkmuseum.org</a>.</p> <p><b>September 28</b>  <b>Fair Oaks Toastmasters</b>, 11:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>September 30</b>  <b>City Council Meeting</b>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>On-Going Events</b></p> <p><b>Fun On The Run</b></p> <p>City of Sunnyvale’s Mobile Activities Program For more information, please contact Angelique Wilson at (408) 730-7520 or <a href="mailto:awilson@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us">awilson@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us</a>.</p> <p><b>Sunnyvale Family Child Care Network Provider Meetings</b></p> <p>A group of family child care providers who meet on the second Tuesday of each month for support, networking and education. For more information, call Manijeh Khazeni, (408) 736-6310.</p> <p><b>SNAP (Sunnyvale Neighborhoods Actively Prepare) Program</b></p> <p>The Sunnyvale Office of Emergency Services works with our citizens to prepare them for catastrophic emergencies such as fires, earthquakes or other natural and man-made disasters that can be applied in the home, school, neighborhood or wherever needed in Sunnyvale. A new schedule of classes are offered in the winter, spring and fall. For more information, <i>call Cherel Sampson, (408) 730-7190 or SNAP@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us.</i></p> <p><b>Water Pollution Plant Tours</b></p> <p>Sign up for a tour of the Sunnyvale’s Water Pollution Control Plant. To schedule a tour or for more information, call (408) 730-7717.</p> <p><b>SMaRT Station® Tours</b></p> <p>See how garbage and recyclable materials from Mountain View, Palo Alto and Sunnyvale are processed and sorted for recycling at the Sunnyvale Materials Recovery and Transfer Station. Tours are available by appointment and are appropriate for persons 8 years of age and older. To schedule a tour or for more information, call (408) 752-8530 or <a href="http://www.sunnyvalerecycle.org">www.sunnyvalerecycle.org</a>.</p> <p><b>SMaRT Birding Tours</b></p> <p>The City has collaborated with the Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society to offer free one-hour bird-watching tours at Sunnyvale’s closed landfill. Interested parties should meet at noon on the first Wednesday of the month at 1444 Borregas Ave., north of Caribbean Drive, in Sunnyvale. For additional information, call Silviana Ruiz, (408) 730-7545 or <a href="mailto:sruiz@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us">sruiz@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us</a>.</p> <p><b>Community Calendar Online</b>  <i>Events.inSunnyvale.com</i></p>
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